

ENDACOTT SOCIETY

Retired Faculty and Staff of the University of Kansas

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April 2015

SCHEDULED EVENTS *All activities meet at the Adams Alumni Center unless otherwise noted.*

Afternoon Lecture and Birthday Celebration

Sharon and Bob Brown (842-2079) are in charge of Birthday preparations. Loraine Lindenbaum (lhlindenbaum@sunflower.com, 843-4308), Lee Ketzler (leeketzler@yahoo.com, 843-4834) and Pat Kelly (842-0523) are in charge of programs.

April 9—Program at 2:30, sherry at 2:00, in the Summerfield Room. The program following the celebration of April birthdays will be a speaker and topic of general interest, to be announced.

Armchair Travel

Ron Schorr (rwwschorr@gmail.com, 842-8625)

April 16—Program at 2:30, coffee and tea at 2:00. Dean Lebestky will be presenting a travelog on the cruise that he and his wife, Judy, took on the Rhone in France.

Card and Game Theory

Edna Galle (galle@ku.edu, 843-2950)

April 16—1:30 in the Paul Adam Lounge. The sign-up sheet for bridge and scrabble is available at the Wednesday Coffee.

Cinema Studies

Domestic Films: Fred Madaus (fmadaus@ku.edu, 841-4939), Audrey Kamb-Studdard (audkamb@ku.edu, 843-4166), and Bruce Linton (balinton@ku.edu, 843-6796). *Foreign Films:* Paul Lim (plim@ku.edu, 841-1544).

April 14—Film at 2:00, coffee at 1:45, in the Paul Adam Lounge. This month's film will be *American Beauty*, starring Kevin Spacey and Annette Bening. Spacey plays a frustrated suburban father who has a Mid-life crisis after becoming infatuated with

his daughter's best friend. This 1999 Drama was nominated for 8 Oscars and won 5, including Best Picture and Best Actor in a Leading Role. Running time 122 minutes. Please join us for coffee and a movie!

April 28—Film at 2:00, light refreshments and Mexican snacks at 1:45, in the Bruckmiller Room. Before he made *Gravity* (2013) and *Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban* (2004), Mexican director Alfonso Cuarón made *Y Tu Mama Tambien* (2001), a wildly erotic road movie about two rambunctious teenage boys and the seductive older woman who mentors them in the finer points of passion. The two boys end up learning more about life than they bargained for. (In Spanish with English subtitles, 106 minutes.)

Computer Study

Jerry Niebaum (jniebaum@wizardofkansas.com, 842-3127)

April 1—“APPS for KU” (Chuck LaPointe).

April 8—“Creating your own free web site with Google Blogger” (Jerry Niebaum).

April 15—“Review of IT at KU” (Bob Lim, CIO).

April 22—“Dr. Fixit” (Jerry Niebaum).

April 29—To be announced.

Drama Study

Arnold Weiss (ahweiss@ku.edu, 842-5502), and Bob Procter (robert@procter.com, 221-2100)

April 10—1:30 in the Music Room. Drama Study group will continue reading George Bernard Shaw's *Major Barbara*. (Copies will be available at the meeting.)

As always, all are welcome.

SCHEDULED EVENTS

Gardening

Allen Wiechert (wiechert@ku.edu, 842-5467) and
Dick Schiefelbusch (843-5869)

April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29—9:00 in the Music Room.

Great Books Study

Lucy J. Price (lucyjprice@outlook.com, (843-1682)
and Ellen Reid Gold (843-6933)

April 8—1:30 in the McGinnis Library. We will discuss the novel *The Bell* (1958) by Iris Murdoch. Please check with your favorite library or bookstore for a copy. Our discussion will be led by Bob Procter. All are welcome! Hope to see you there.

Opera Study

Vic Wallace (wallace@ku.edu, 842-7930)

April 17—1:30 in the Summerfield Room. Our opera for April will be presented by Paul Lim. The opera will be the 2013 San Francisco Opera production

of Arrigo Boito's *Mefistofele*, with Ildar Abdrazakov as Mefistofele, Ramon Vargas as Faust, and Patricia Racette as Margherita/Elena. This *Blu-ray* recording is a new remounting of the production, staged by Robert Carsen, that Samuel Ramey was in over two decades ago. Paul plans to also show a couple of scenes with Ramey so we can see what he was like back when he "owned" the role of Mefistofele.

Cookies, coffee, and tea will be available prior to the start of the video, and there will be a short break in the middle. Come and enjoy!

Ten O'clock Scholars, AKA "Wednesday Coffee"

Ann Blackhurst (ablackhurst@msn.com. 841-4099)

April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29—9:00 in the Music Room.—
10:00, in the Summerfield Room. Conversation,
coffee, tea, cookies and announcements.